Monitoring of Projects with the Project Monitoring Division

768. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of projects that are with the Project Monitoring Division of the Ministry of Planning and Programme Implementation for purposes of monitoring as on 1st February, 1994;

(b) the number of cases on which the Project Monitoring Division suggested remedial measures to administrative Ministries;

(c) the number of cases on which the advice or suggestions were not accepted by the administrative Ministries, and the project authorities;

(d) whether the Project Monitoring Division feels that the administrative Ministries, and project authorities have been paying attention to discipline of project management; and

(e) what steps are being taken to adopt project management as a discipline?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) As on 1st February 1994, 367 projects were on the monitoring system of the Department of Programme Implementation.

(b) The Department of Programme Implementation suggested specific remedial measure in 38 projects in the current year 1993-94. In additions, suggestions are given through Monthly and Quarterly reports.

(c) There is no case of non-acceptance by the administrative Ministries or project authorities.

(d) With increased awareness created by the Project Monitoring Division of the Department, the administrative ministries and Project authorities are paying more attention to the project management discipline.

(e) Efforts are being made to train the project managers through advanced management training programmes and seminars. Assistance is also being provided to help the public enterprises for adoption of project management as a discipline.

Gamut of Monitoring by the Infrastructure Monitoring Division

769. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the process of Liberalisation the entire gamut of monitoring by the Infrastructure Monitoring Division of the Ministry has undergone further refinement as envisaged;

(b) if so, what are the changes made for refinement of monitoring system;

(c) whether the relevant key performance indicators have been identified and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Infrastructure Monitoring Division feels that such key performance indicators will really improve the quality of performance monitoring; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (c) The Infrastructure Monitoring Division in Department of Programme Implementation continues to monitor the performance of nine industrial infrastructure sectors namely Power, Coal, Steel, Railways, Major Ports, Fertilizers, Petroleum & Natural Gas, Cement and Telecommunications, in terms of identified parameters of production and productivity specific to each sector, as earlier.